

## FREAK COINS HAVE GONE.

Few of These Issued by the Government for Special Purposes Now Remains.

Recent mention of the disappearance of the \$2.50 gold piece from circulation and the premium this coin commands as a relic have set many to rummaging in old pocketbooks and the bottom of cash boxes and drawers in search of odd or out of date coins. Some have found a two dollar piece, but not many, says the Portland Oregonian. The two dollar piece, once quite common, but always a sort of curiosity, is often found, and many have specimens of the little gold coins representing 25 and 50 cents, which were not minted by the general government and probably have not so much gold in them as they represent. They used to pass as coin, but were never in general circulation, being so easily lost that they soon became scarce.

One of the handsomest coin relics seen is a \$10 gold piece bearing the mint stamp of 1799. It is larger than the present \$10 gold piece. The owner has it hung in a band and wears it as a charm on his watch chain. The owner says he refused an offer of \$150 for this relic. The old octagonal \$50 pieces were quite common in California in early days, when gold dust was largely used as a circulating medium. They were made of pure gold, and while they had not the elegant finish of the gold coins minted by the government in those days, many still remember them as the handsomest coin they ever saw. Many people now would consider them handsome on account of the \$50 in them.

## TELLS HOW TO TAME LIONS.

Danish Woman Has New Theory About Controlling Wild Animals—Her Sensational Post.

The terrible tragedy which was enacted in a lion's den near Berlin has revived the question as to whether a lion tamer can ever hope to die a natural death.

At the present time Miss Ella, a Danish woman lion tamer, is giving a sensational exhibition at the Royal Music hall, Holborn, with seven African lions, says a London dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean.

She concludes her performance by throwing away her whip, lying down on the stage, and putting her head and arm in the mouth of the large African lion. Siegfried, who killed a keeper in the Vienna zoological gardens four years ago.

In an interview Miss Ella said she was not at all nervous in the den, and had handled wild beasts since she was eight years old.

"Nearly all accidents which happen to tamers," said this daring young woman, "are caused by forcing lions to do tricks against their will, instead of letting them rest until they get into a good temper, but fatal accidents are very rare."

"It is an old belief," added the lady tamer, "that it is necessary to look wild animals straight in the eyes, but this is a great mistake, as it makes the lions savage. I always turn my back on them, and have no fear of their turning on me."

## GHOST WAS A GENUINE ONE.

But a Breakfast Table Explanation Calmed a Woman's Mind—Opinion Experience.

Most ghost stories are susceptible of satisfactory explanation as the incident recorded as transpiring at a country house. A young woman guest at a house party had been thrilled with delicious horrors by tales of ghosts and hobgoblins told by certain of her fellow guests about a gorgeous fire just before they separated for the night. The next morning she appeared at the breakfast table ready for departure, and when pressed to explain her reason for going, finally confessed that she was afraid to sleep under that roof another night. She said that about midnight she was awakened by the stealthy step and to her horror saw a specter, all in white at the foot of her bed, and it raised its clawlike hands and actually drew the coverlet off the bed. There was no hallucination about it, for the coverlet was gone! While the interest was at its height, a belated breakfaster appeared and remarked genially: "How cold it was last night. Knowing that the room next to mine was unoccupied, I took the liberty of helping myself to an extra covering from there!"

## HONOR AND TAXES.

The American Citizen's Attitude Toward His Debt to the State—Perjury in New York.

"The high average citizen is best seen through when he is confronted by the tax collector," says Frederick Trevor Hill, in Everybody's Magazine. "If a personal tax law stands on the books, inequities in its working and burdensome beyond bearing, he does not set about to obtain its repeal. That might involve attendance upon primaries. He rather avoids the issue by countless devices, which go all the way from downright perjury to legal evasion; but, by hook or by crook, he does not pay the tax, and nobody cares. In New York city perjury is the rule rather than the exception, and scarcely anyone is punished. Very recently a merchant went into a 'blind pool' with a couple of rascals, who were to get his taxes reduced for a percentage on the amount involved. When the two men were caught impersonating the merchant before the commissioners the 'taxpayer' pleaded ignorance of his agents' methods, failed to identify them, and suffered no social setback if public and private comment afford any fair criticism."

## Power in the Sahara.

One of the sources of motor power used in the African Sahara is sand carried by the wind to elevated reservoirs.



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## ADVERTISING A CITY.

The subject of municipal advertising has been growing of more and more importance in the estimation of practical business men, and they are waking up to the fact that every city which is not self-advertising by reason of its greatness and importance must through this means compete with other cities of similar size and located within reasonable proximity, or it will be beaten in the race. The Atlanta Journal commenting on the importance of municipal advertising refers to Seattle, Washington, which a few years ago was a settlement of no pretensions, but which has been developed into a flourishing commercial and industrial center largely through the aid of newspaper advertising. Says the Journal:

"The citizens of Seattle, Washington, got together some years ago and raised a fund for a campaign of newspaper advertising. That is how you came to hear of Seattle. That is why you know that there is such a place on the map."

"It is an open secret that Seattle—the metropolis of the north Pacific coast—owes its rapid growth primarily to newspaper advertising."

The fact is there are many towns blessed with natural advantages which are doing little in the work of material development because they will not bestir themselves to let people know they are on the map. Advertising has gotten to be an absolute necessity for the growth of nearly all private enterprises. There are few business concerns that can afford not to keep themselves before the public in this way. Nearly all the great enterprises are forced to advertise or see their business go down the hill, if this be true in the case of private business interest it is like wise true in the case of towns and



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